GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
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RESEARCH AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES FOR TRIBALS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of research and training activities undertaken by the Union Government for the welfare of tribal people in the country during each of the last three years and current year particularly in Orissa and Gujarat;

(b) the number of people/scholars assigned the research work in the country, State-wise;

(c) the extent to which success has achieved;

(d) whether the Union Government proposes to start any new such activities in Orissa and Gujarat; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (P. R. KYNDIAH)

(a) to (c) The research and training activities are implemented under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme `Research and Training`. The Ministry releases funds on 50:50 matching basis to sixteen State Governments for Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) and 100% central assistance to U.T. Administration. These Institutes are engaged in the work relating to planning inputs, conducting research/ evaluation studies, conduct of training, seminars and workshops, codification of customary laws and tribal museums for exhibiting tribal artifacts. Under the scheme `Award of Research Fellowship in various aspects of Tribal Development`, 100% grant is given to the State Governments for disbursement of research fellowship and contingency grant to the research scholars doing Ph.D and Post Doctoral courses related to tribal development. State-wise funds released to State Governments for Tribal Research Institutes for the last three years and current year and number of scholars receiving fellowships are given in Annexure-1.

The Ministry also provides 100% financial assistance under the scheme `Supporting Projects of All India or Inter State Nature` to the Non-Governmental Research Organizations, Universities and Institutions for undertaking research/ evaluation studies, conducting of seminars/workshops and publication of literature related to tribal development. The details indicating state-wise number of Non Governmental Organizations, research/evaluation studies, seminars/ workshops and publication on tribal development commissioned during the last three years and current year are given in Annexure II. The input of these efforts is helpful in planning and effective implementation of welfare schemes.

(d) to (e) No such proposal is under consideration.